

FROM THE NATON'S CAPITAL

Matters of More Than Passing Interest Made Public.

The Final Settlement of the Claim of This Government Against Spain. Cramp, the Shipbuilder, and Secretary Herbert. The Gold Reserve.

By Southern Associated Press.

WASHINGTON, September 14.—After more than twenty years of negotiations, which several times threatened to bring about strained relations between Spain and the United States, a draft for the amount of the indemnity demanded by this Government for the confiscation of the Cuban estates of Antonio Maxima Mora, a naturalized American citizen, was delivered by Senor DuPuy De Lomo, the Spanish Minister, to Mr. Adee, the Acting Secretary of State. All that now remains for the final settlement of the claim will be the arrangements of the assignments made by Mr. Mora to creditors and the delivery to him of the residue.

There was no ceremony about this culminating act on the part of Spain. Senor De Lomo appeared at the State Department about noon and was immediately shown into the office of Mr. Adee. He handed to the latter a draft signed by himself on the London Financial Agency of Spain for 295,412.16s 11d, the equivalent of \$1,449,000 or 1,500,000 Spanish pesos, and Mr. Adee delivered in return formal receipt for the amount signed by himself as Acting Secretary. This constituted the whole transaction, and Senor De Lomo and Mr. Adee uttered some polite commonplaces, shook hands and departed as though they had been attending to a minor matter, instead of making history.

Mr. Charles Cramp, the Philadelphia shipbuilder, had a talk with Secretary Herbert today about the request made by the Secretary of the Navy that the new battleship Indiana should be docked in the new naval dry dock at Port Royal, S. C., and not at Halifax, N. S. Secretary Herbert has no authority in the matter, as the Indiana has not yet been turned over to the government. Mr. Cramp recently informed the department that he would dock the vessel at Halifax, giving as his reason that there was no adequate arrangements in this country. To this Mr. Herbert took exception, and informed Mr. Cramp that the Port Royal dock was ready.

In their conversation today Mr. Cramp indicated to Mr. Herbert that he would stick to his original intention of taking the Indiana to Halifax. He said that the Port Royal dock had not been tested yet by any vessel, he did not like to make the first attempt and would prefer that the government should be the first to try it "on the dog," as the slang phrase goes.

The Life Saving Service is informed that the schooner Centennial, coal barge, Philadelphia, to Newbern, N. C., stranded at 2 o'clock this afternoon off Dawson's Point, Wachapreague, Va. The vessel is probably a total loss. The crew of five men were saved by the life saving crew.

A dispatch received at the Navy Department today, stating that the cruiser Olympia had arrived at Honolulu on the 2d and finding cholera there had left for Lahaina, where she will remain for about twenty days to repair her condenser tubes.

The Bennington is in quarantine outside the harbor of Honolulu. Two cases of cholera, the report says, have occurred on her, one of which W. H. Kloebel, an apprentice, proved fatal. Private letters received in San Francisco and mentioned in United Press dispatches, indicate more cases than these two on board the Bennington.

Secretary Carlisle has rejected all the proposals for assaying and sampling ores on the northern and southern borders of the United States for the purpose of ascertaining the quantity of lead contained therein. Proposals were submitted only for Paso Del Norte, Tex., though asked for for the entire border section. Secretary Carlisle, in rejecting them, takes the position that it is impossible to carry out the intent of Congress where bids filing only part of the work are submitted, and he is of opinion that the work can be done more efficiently and cheaply by the government. He will therefore report the matter to the next Congress and ask for an appropriation sufficient to establish proper roads to the principal ore producing points along the Mexican and Canadian borders.

Gen. Schofield speaks in enthusiastic terms of the reception tendered him on his recent farewell tour of this section, and especially as to the courtesy shown him in the Southern States. He specifies the courtesies shown him in Memphis, Tenn., the special invitation tendered him at New Orleans and his reception by the Confederate Veterans Union and the Grand Army of the Republic at Houston, Tex. He was much pleased with the friendliness of the one-time enemies,

and the demonstrations of affection made by the Confederate veterans for the Stars and Stripes.

The Treasury gold reserve is stated to day at \$99,632,544, subject to a net deduction of \$3,300,000 as the withdrawal and deposits of gold at New York yesterday. Corrected official reports received this morning from Assistant Treasurer Jordan place the total withdrawals yesterday at \$4,300,000 and that deposited at \$1,000,000.

Prof. C. V. Riley, formerly the entomologist of the Agricultural Department, was thrown from his bicycle this morning and received injuries which may prove fatal.

THE COCKADE CITY.

Many Matters of Interest Petersburgers in Norfolk.

Special Dispatch to the Virginian.

PETERSBURG, Va., September 14.—Mr. C. W. Spicer, Sr., died at his late home, in this city, this afternoon shortly after 2 o'clock, after a protracted illness. The deceased was a native of Louisa county, Va., and came to Petersburg about forty years ago, and engaged in the manufacture of tobacco.

The style of the firm first was Harris & Spicer. Mr. Spicer subsequently carried on the business alone until about ten years ago, when he removed to Richmond, where he carried on the tobacco business up to the time of his death. He was a member of the Petersburg Tobacco Association.

Mr. Spicer, Jr., left to-night for Norfolk, where, on next Tuesday, he will be united in marriage to Miss Nettie Williams. Mr. Spicer was accompanied by his sister, Miss Rosella Spicer, and Miss Estelle Crank, a cousin of the prospective bride.

A movement is on foot among the several lodges of Odd Fellows in this city to give a vocal and instrumental entertainment at their handsome new hall sometime in October next.

Mrs. A. G. Wallard, of Richmond, is visiting Mrs. D. S. W. Jones on Washington street.

Miss Bettie L. Tacker, who has been summing in North Carolina, returned home yesterday afternoon.

Miss Annie Lee Mann, of Siler City, N. C., is visiting her grandfather, Mr. Robertson Tacker.

The condition of Mr. W. H. Littlejohn, who is suffering from jaundice, is not slightly improved.

Miss Mattie Lambert, who has been visiting friends and relatives at La Crosse, Mecklenburg county, has returned to the city.

Capt. A. B. Hobbs, of Prince George county, was in the city today.

Mrs. A. D. Thompson and her son Charlie have gone to Baltimore on a visit to friends and relatives.

The County Court of Prince George met pursuant to adjournment at 9 o'clock this morning when Mr. John J. Cooke, the Attorney for the Commonwealth of the county, resumed his argument in the case of Golden Carroll, a negro, on trial for the murder of an unknown negro near Disputanta Station on the 27th of last June.

Mr. Cooke was followed by Mr. T. D. Brown for Disputanta and Mr. Charles Hall Davis, of this city, for the accused. The closing argument was made by Mr. Cooke. The case was given to the jury at 1:30 o'clock this p. m. After deliberating for four hours the jury came into court with their verdict. Carroll was found guilty of murder in the second degree and his punishment fixed at sixteen years in the penitentiary. A motion for a new trial will be argued on next Friday afternoon.

PERSONNEL.

Mr. T. P. Bagwell, formerly connected with THE VIRGINIAN, arrived in the city yesterday from Petersburg.

Miss Mattie Jones, of No. 125 Holt street, returned yesterday from a month's visit to Raleigh, N. C.

Mr. John Whitehead, who for a number of years has been in charge of the local department of THE VIRGINIAN, has connected himself with Brown's printing establishment, formerly the Landmark job office. The best wishes of all connected with THE VIRGINIAN go out to him, and it is their hope that in his new field he will secure the full measure of success. He was ever a brave and earnest chronicler of local events, who never shirked responsibility.

Mr. Joseph J. Hennelly, who has also been connected with THE VIRGINIAN during the past six years in its business department, resigned his position to accept the office of secretary and treasurer of the American Building and Loan Association. THE VIRGINIAN extends to him its best wishes for success. The association has secured in Mr. Hennelly a faithful and active officer.

LEZEMA CURED.

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THE CATHOLIC CONFERENCE

It Has Assumed The Importance of a Leading Congress.

Chagrin of the British Over the Defeat of the Valkyrie. The Sporting Times and The Field Say Many Sharp Things. The Spectator's Views.

By Southern Associated Press.

LONDON, September 14.—The Catholic conference annually held in England, under the auspices of the Catholic Truth Society, has hitherto been treated by the press as unworthy of mention. It has this year suddenly assumed the importance of a leading congress. The conference began at Bristol on Monday and terminated Thursday. The questions before the conference were not numerous, but the meeting derived unwonted interest from Cardinal Vaughan's address on Christian reunion.

The Archbishop of Canterbury's recent missive on this subject, which was a reply to the Pope's letter to the English people, requested a reply and Cardinal Vaughan gave it in such clear terms as will end discussion within the Anglican church on the basis of an agreement with the Roman Catholic Church. The kernel of the question of reunion of Christendom, said Cardinal Vaughan, consisted in the admission of the Roman claim that the Pope had received by divine right authority to teach and govern the whole church.

The essence of the Anglican position was a negation of the Roman claim. Until this claim was admitted no union of reunion was possible. The Cardinal further declared that he did not expect to witness the submission of the English people as a body, to claims that were repudiated at the time of the reformation. He looked to the slower process of individual conversion.

These declarations have been all received by the ritualists, and are reported to be also causing the Pope disquiet as a check to his plan for a reunion of the churches.

The report was accepted as true among the members of the congress that at the next consistory at Rome another Cardinal will be created for England. The congress concluded on Thursday with a pilgrimage to Glastonbury Abbey, the oldest shrine in England. Thousands of pilgrims, in cluding one hundred robed clergy, traveled by train from Bristol to this town.

It was not very long ago that popular sentiment would not have allowed such a pilgrimage. On Thursday a large crowd watched with the greatest sympathetic interest the long banner carrying procession composed of Catholic guilds, Jesuits, Dominicans, Franciscans, Benedictines and Carmelites, alternately singing and reciting prayers. The scene was an impressive, picturesque and quiet one and marked an immense change in the Roman Catholic Church in England.

Time does not often the keenness of British chagrin over the outcome of the American cup contest. The Field, in line frenzy, utterly abandons decency. This "gentleman's journal" raves like a fishwife over the ignominious showing of the "British representative yacht," though its ravings are, of course, directed against everything connected with the race that was not British.

Following are some of the choice expressions of this paper which purports to represent the sporting spirit of Great Britain: "Excursion steamers laden with frantic Irish-Americans who do not know a yacht from an oyster boat," and "the New York press, representing the rabble of excursion steamers."

This paper, together with others, looks upon the interference of the excursion steamers as affecting only the British boat.

That the excursion should in any way interfere with the American boat does not seem to strike them, although as a matter of fact, impartial persons here judge from the cable accounts of the contests that one boat suffered as much as the other from this cause. In common with other English papers, the Field declares that "the conditions governing the cup contests need remodeling, notably that rule requiring that the challenger must sail the ocean on her own bottom, while the defender of the cup can be any lightly rigged rattletrap which will hold together for four or five matches."

Invividous comments were made in 1893 on the construction of the Vigilant, and it was then declared that she could not cross the ocean, but after she did cross and in much less time than did the Valkyrie II, the English papers forgot their former comments, but very little to say in respect of her very fine performance.

The Sporting Times says: "When the cup was first won, no special yacht was built to beat the America. This boat had the open sea to sail on and won on her merits."

No race has since been sailed under the same conditions of fairness. It is true that the Valkyrie was disqualified in the second race match for tactics, which were admitted to be correct when the Defender practiced them on the Vigilant, doubt is thrown on the

honesty of the committee, but we cannot believe it.

That the Valkyrie should have been allowed to sail a match in which, unknown to her, her opponent had hoisted a protest flag before the line was crossed, is another matter, which, we came a "heads I win, tails you lose" affair on the part of the Defender, and savor of the win, tie or wrangle system that was prevalent at the lowest meetings in the worst days of horse racing. This system, happily, has been stamped out, but seems to have gone to America, where it has been adopted in yachting."

The balanced utterance of the Spectator is valuable as reflecting educated opinion outside of sporting circles. This paper says: "Nobody need be surprised at the Defender's victory. America has twice startled the world by a sudden and successful advance in the designing of ships."

"The appearance of the America, in the Solent in 1851, changed the principles of yacht building and Ericsson's production of the Monitor in 1862 caused every British dock yard within a year to work night and day to reconstruct the navy. The brain force producing such achievements can scarcely be overrated. In every effort to capture the cup the competing vessels embody the English and American designers skill at the date of trial. In the latter, as in the earlier races, the New Yorkers more than held their own, showing that they possess inventors of the highest calibre."

THE REGATTA COMMITTEE.

They Give Their Reasons for Not Resailing the Races.

By Southern Associated Press.

NEW YORK, September 14.—The following letter was posted on the bulletin board of the New York Yacht Club this afternoon:

"To the members New York Yacht Club: Having filed with the American cup committee a report of the international races, we take this opportunity to state in answer to inquiries why the last two races were not ordered to be resailed."

The yacht committee, before taking the evidence on Defender's protest, made an unsuccessful endeavor to bring about a settlement by mutual agreement, but such a contestant refused that the contest should take its course. The protest filed and insisted upon must be adjudged and a decision once rendered the event is closed.

"As regards the resailing of the third race, the Regatta Committee has no latitude since the new conditions demanded by Lord Durrant had been declined by the Cup Committee, and therefore, the race had to sail under the original terms."

"Respectfully yours,

"REGATTA COMMITTEE, 'New York Yacht Club.'"

THE DEATH HILL.

Capt. William Brennan, a well-known printer, and for many years connected with THE VIRGINIAN composing room, died at his home at No. 54 Cumberland street last night about 7:30 o'clock, aged 60 years after an illness of two weeks. During the war Capt. Brennan commanded a North Carolina company. He has been connected with a large number of newspapers in North Carolina and Virginia and was well known. The deceased left two sisters, Mrs. Dr. Lanford and Miss Mary Brennan, both of Wake Forest, N. C., and a son and daughter, the latter Mrs. William Thomas of this city. The funeral will take place from the residence this afternoon at 5 o'clock.

Mrs. Mary Carter, the aged mother of Mrs. Margaret F. Diggs, No. 31 Cumberland street, died at the home of the latter yesterday morning at an early hour, after an illness of some time. The funeral will take place from the residence this afternoon at 5 o'clock.

NEW FALL DRESS GOODS

Have Arrived and Are Now on Sale.

Nobby and stylish navy blue and black chevrons, black antrons, bonele, black and navy, 45 inches wide, at 75c; wide navy dress goods, 50 inches wide, at 65c; black figured packard dress goods, special price 50c; yard; Grand dannels, black, navy and grey, 52 inches wide, at 50c yard; all wool black and navy serge, at 25c yard; fine silk flannel Henriettes, 30 inches, 45 inches wide, 50c and 55c yard and many other styles, all marked at the lowest cash prices.

Here is headquarters for all linings and dress trimmings, Cambrics, all colors, 10c yard; silences, all colors, 5c yard; percales, all colors, 10c yard; linen facings, 10c and 12c yard.

Special sale continued on men's ladies' and children's hosiery, Children's fast black seamless hose, worth 15c. Sale price, 10c.

Men's fast black seamless hose, worth 15c. Sale price, 10c.

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We are sole agents for the genuine Foster leeing kid gloves. Positively the best kid gloves on sale. New line just opened, in all colors and black. Give them a trial.

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DURRANT'S TRIAL CONTINUES

Detectives Have Finished Their Labors and Facts Are at Hand.

Mrs. James Crosset is Another Important Witness Just Discovered. It Expected That Her Testimony Will Break Down the Alibi of the Defense.

By Southern Associated Press.

SAN FRANCISCO, September 14.—The police investigation of the murder of Blanche Lamont has ended. After more than five months incessant work the detectives have finished their chain of evidence against Theodore Durrant, and the prosecution has nothing else to do but to present the facts to the jury.

The prosecution has secured another important witness. It is Mrs. James Crosset, who lives at the corner of Washington and Laurel streets. Mrs. Crosset's testimony will be very damaging to the alibi, which the defence expects to provide for Durrant, but it will be by no means as convincing as would be supposed from the story circulated yesterday concerning the evidence she would furnish.

Hitherto the prosecution has had no witness who saw or claimed to have seen Durrant and Blanche Lamont together between the corner of Powell and Market streets and Twenty-fifth and Bartlett. It is to connect this break in the prosecution chain of circumstantial evidence that Mrs. Crosset is expected to supply the missing link.

She will testify that she saw Durrant on the Valencia street car between the points named on the afternoon of April 3d, but this is as far as her memory serves her.

She does not remember whether he was accompanied by a lady, or if he was, she does not know who it could have been. She professes to know nothing further than that she saw the accused on the car and says the other details of the reported account of the testimony she would give, are entirely untrue. Mrs. Crosset is able to fix the day by reason of the fact that she had attended a tea party that afternoon and on her way to the mission.

She rode on the Powell street line. As she entered the car she saw Durrant already aboard. She says he did not recognize her, as has been stated, nor did she speak to him. She left the car at Twenty-fifth street instead of Twenty-second street; she did not stop on the curb to shake hands with Durrant and was not presented to Blanche Lamont as has also been stated.

Mrs. Crosset arrived at the residence of her son, James F. Crosset, at a few minutes past 4 o'clock, thus it must have been about the time Durrant is supposed to have made the journey to the mission with Blanche Lamont that she saw him on the car. Her testimony, therefore, indubitable, as it may be, will serve as a strong card for the prosecution in its efforts to trace the steps of the prisoner and his supposed victim from the normal school to Emanuel chapel.

The Crosset family are warm friends of the Durrants and because of this and the indelible character of the old lady's knowledge they feared she might have been mistaken and endeavored to keep the matter secret in the hope that she would not be called upon to testify.

Last Night's Haul.

Shortly after 2 o'clock this morning Detective Richardson and several officers raided the house of Ruby Jones, 19 Smith street, and captured her and a woman named Eva Lee. A man was also arrested. All were bailed. The women charged the detective with breaking in the house.

At midnight a house kept by Prudence Williams, on Duesch's court, and captured three boxes of beer and three quarts of whiskey under the floor. The woman was arrested and bailed.

SEPT. MOSQUITOES BITE SHARP

Extra Special Sale of Mosquito Canopies. Wright's, 196 Main Street.

For one week we offer our stock of canopies complete with cord and pulley.

70 inch by 8 yds., for \$50; 80 inch by 8 yds., for \$1; 90 inch by 10 yds., for \$1.50; 105 inch by 11 yds., for \$1.75.

This is fully 50 per cent. less than regular prices.

In connection with this we will sell: 200 Gloria Umbrellas, 25 and 28-inch, at 50c; and \$1; each worth \$1, \$1.50 and \$2.

Also 100 White Quilts, \$1 grade, for 60c; \$1.25 grade for 80c; \$1.50 grade for 90c; \$3 grade genuine Marseilles for \$1.98.

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RICHMOND NEWS AND GOSSIP.

What is Going on in and Around the Capital City.

Special Dispatch to the Virginian. RICHMOND, Va., September 13.—The colored people here are terribly exercised over the charge made by the Richmond Planet that Rev. W. W. Browne, head of the True Reformers, has defrauded the order out of \$50,000. Browne was seen to day and stated that the organization asked him to sell his copyright to the plans under which the True Reformers were organized and are being conducted.

He named \$40,000 as his price and the meeting here last week thought the sum too small and voted him \$50,000, to be paid in ten annual installments of \$5,000 each. The minutes of the meeting were produced and bore out Rev. Browne's statement. Browne will remain at the head of the order.

At the meeting referred to he refused an increase of salary from \$1,800 to \$3,000 per year. He talks of suing the Planet.

There were two mild sensations at Henric Court house today. One was the announcement that Magistrate G. C. Vincent, the poet squire, would be investigated for the alleged offense of allowing personal spite to control him in some of his decisions.

The other was a fine of \$30 imposed upon Lawyer W. H. Beveridge for not showing up when a case against him was called yesterday.

Chairman J. Taylor Hillyson has called the state democratic committee together here on the night of September 20th at 8 o'clock at the Exchange Hotel. Party headquarters were opened to day at Fourth and Main streets. Col. John Bell Bigger, the veteran, is again in charge, assisted by his son, Mr. Thomas H. Bigger.

The board of the Chesapeake and its tributaries were informed to day by Capt. Hudgins of the following vessels in James river violating the river law: Schooner Elizabeth, of Norfolk, lined \$30; schooner George Elliott, lined \$10; schooner G. C. Vandervorse, of Richmond, lined \$30; schooner Kate Johnson, of Newport News, lined \$10, and sloop Clara, lined \$10.

A Destructive Fire.

SYRACUSE, N. Y., September 14.—The little hamlet of Palermo Center, Oswego county, was almost wiped out to day. Out of twenty buildings in the village thirteen were burned to the ground. Addison K. Zender, of Fulton, who was driving through the village as the fire broke out, joined in the efforts of the villagers to extinguish the flames.

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DIED OF NATURAL CAUSES

A Sister of the Late Dr. Morgan Becomes Suspicious.

She Writes to Gov. O'Ferrall for Information and is Referred to "The Virginian," Whose Reporters Set All Matters Connected With His Death Aright.

Some time ago Mr. George S. Wood, of No. 25 Arlington avenue, Pittsburg, Pa., wrote to Gov.